OFFICIAL REPORTS



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ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE INTERNATIONAL COUNCIL OF NURSES

A MEETING of the executive committee of the International Conneil of Nurses (viz., the honorary officers, the vice-presidents, and the honorary presidents) will be held at the Hotel Normandy, 7 Rue de l'Echelle, Paris, on Friday, June 21st, at ten o'clock A. M. Several important matters of business are to be arranged by the executive committee, among them the place of meeting for the next Quinquennial in 1909.

National councils are reminded that all business before being brought to the Quinquennial meeting is to be presented to the executive meeting as notice of motion.

On account of the demand for rooms from members the headquarters of the council will be at the Hotel Normandy instead of at the Louvre Hotel as announced last month. The secretary may be addressed there and also through Brown, Shipley & Co.

LAVINIA L. DOCK, Secretary.

The executive committee of the New York State Nurses' Association wishes to announce that in anticipation of the annual meeting to be held in Syracuse. October 15 and 16, Mrs. Gustin Welch of Niagara Falls, N. Y., has consented to act as chairman of the program committee. Members having topics which they would like to have presented at this meeting will kindly communicate the same to Mrs. Welch.

Miss Lina Lightbourn chairman of the committee on arrangements, and the nurses of Syracuse, have already formulated plans which, when perfected, promise to be of interest to all nurses throughout the state.

Anna Davids, R. N., President, Frida L. Hartman, R. N., Secretary,

STATE MEETINGS

CONNECTICUT.—The fourth annual meeting of the Graduate Nurses Association of Connecticnt was held at the Assembly Hall of the Hartford Hospital on Wednesday, May 1, 1907. The meeting was opened with prayer by Rev. Mr. Faucon. Dr. Winfield Smith, superintendent of the hospital, welcomed the association. Dr. Smith's address of welcome was a unique one in that it was the first time the association has been welcomed by a man who understood the purport of the association and the significance of registered nurses. His address

was the best statement of the value of state registration that has been made before the association.

The president's address reviewed the work of the year and dealt with the pending measures in the legislature which are opposed to our law for registration. The purport of the measures and the causes producing them were clearly explained and the association's coöperation, as a body and as individuals, enlisted for their defeat. A vote was taken to appoint ten councillors from the association for the various sections of the state, to keep all nurses informed and cognizant of matters of import to the profession. The afternoon session was occupied by papers on the subject of The Responsibility of the Registered Nurse by Miss Jeanie M. Campbell of Bridgeport, Miss Martha J. Wilkinson of Hartford, and Miss Mary Grace Hills of New Haven. Two selections of vocal music were furnished by Miss Alice H. MacCormac and the pupil nurses.

Officers for the ensuing year were elected as follows: Miss R. Inde Albaugh, president; Miss Martha J. Wilkinson, vice-president; Mrs. I. A. Wilcox, second vice-president; Miss Rose M. Heavren, treasurer; Miss J. M. Campbell, recording secretary; Mrs. E. Baldwin Lockwood, corresponding secretary; Miss Emma L. Stowe, Miss Mary L. Bolton, and Miss Ada Dalton, executive committee. The next meeting will be held in Waterbury in September. The next annual meeting will be held in Bridgeport in June, 1908.

MARYLAND.—The regular quarterly meeting of the Maryland State Association of Graduate Nurses was neld April 19, 1907, at the Robert Garrett Hospital for Children. There were about sixty present. The afternoon was devoted largely to the problems of the private nurse. Papers were read on the following subjects, interspersed by discussion: Nursing in Hotels, Miss McGuire of the Union Protestant Infirmary; Equipment of a Private Nurse, Miss Weitzel, University of Maryland Hospital; How Can Self-Respecting People of Small Means be Cared for when III? Miss Jean, Maryland Homeopathic Hospital; How Far Should a Nurse Specialize? Miss Ellicott, Johns Hopkins Hospital; What is Meant by a Good Private Nurse? Miss Ward, Baltimore City Hospital.

A letter from Miss Rolph, president of the University of Maryland Hospital Ahmma, was read, which presented a gift of \$275.00 to the association toward the support of the nurse doing work among tuberculous patients. The money was raised through an entertainment given for this purpose under the auspices of the Alumna.

The president, Miss Packard, spoke of our moral obligation to the Red Cross Society, and urged the nurses to enroll themselves as members. The question. Shall We Become Incorporated? was referred to a committee to be appointed by the chair. The business meeting then adjourned and refreshments were served.

AMY P. MILLER, Secretary.

OREGON.—In January of 1907, the Oregon State Nurses Association elected officers for the year. After two years in the nursing world the association found that its constitution needed some changes before incorporation could be considered. The executive board revised the constitution and it was accepted by the association in February. The nurses find laborious work before them.

as the association needs to take the place of alumnæ and county associations, none of which exist at the present time in Oregon.

The state association gratefully accepted the offer of *The Pacific Coast Nurses Journal*, and is now interested with them in the advancement of nursing on this coast. The very rapid development of Oregon brings to it nurses fresh from fields where things are being accomplished, and among them some well up in nursing matters and full of enthusiasm. To these nurses Oregon must look for much help in the future struggles of the profession.

The Oregon association has approved and is helping to establish nurses' rates which will harmonize with prices charged in other parts of the country. There is an awakening interest in state matters among the superintendents and nurses in charge of the smaller hospitals throughout the state. Their cooperation will mean much to the nurses now striving for the advancement of nursing. The Oregon Trained Nurses Association holds monthly meetings in Portland, and hopes to make quarterly and annual meetings of special interes.

LINNA G. RICHARDSON, President.

MISSOURI.—The Missouri State Nurses' Association held a special meeting December 12 and 13, to formulate a bill for state registration to present to the coming legislature. Mrs. Gertrude M. Gibson, the president from St. Louis, and Miss Virginia M. Porter of Kansas City, were chosen to look after the interest of the bill in Jefferson City during the session of legislature.

The legislators passed through a siege of small-pox which discouraged and delayed their work and probably had its effect upon the non-passage of the bill. Our representatives deserve the utmost praise and commendation, as they, in a very limited time, secured the passage of the bill through the senate and to the third reading in the house, and it was left on the table by the final adjournment. While we were not successful this year, we failed by so small a margin, that we feel we should take courage and hope for better things next time.

A. B. ADAMS, Corresponding Secretary.

INDIANA.—The Indiana State Nurses' Association will hold its fifth annual meeting in Indianapolis during the second week in September, 1907. There will be the election of officers and other important business to transact. A program of special interest is being planned, and there will be a full report of the national convention given by our delegate who is also our state president.

VIROINIA.—The Virginia State Nurses' Association will hold its annual meeting in October in Staunton, Virginia. The state examining board will hold the usual examinations in June.

THE Michigan State Association will hold its third annual meeting in Battle Creek, June 4, 5, and 6. The nurses in attendance will be the guests of the Battle Creek Sanitarium where the meetings will be held. Some of the features of the meeting are the following papers: "On Organization," by Mrs. Emma A. Fox,

the well known parliamentarian; "Public Health Problems," by Miss Linda Richards; "Central Directories," etc. At this meeting the Michigan Association will transfer the funds which have been collected during the last three years for the endowment fund of the chair in hospital economics at Teachers' College, Columbia University. These amount to over five hundred and thirty-one dollars. A banquet at the sanitarium and an informal reception will be part of the entertainment provided.

Colorado.—The State Board of Nurse Examiners held its annual meeting at Denver on April 24, 1907. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: Miss Mand McClaskie, president; Miss Mary B. Eyre, secretary-treasurer. The examination and registration of nurses were continued on the three following days. Five hundred and fifty-seven nurses have been registered to date. The State Association is affiliated with the State Federation of Women's Clubs and has elected Miss L. M. Fowler, superintendent of nurses at the City and County Hospital, Denver, as its delegate beside the president who is always expected to act. The statements printed in the May Journal as to the result of examinations only cover the period up to January 1, 1907. Miss L. G. Welch has been reappointed for five years to the Colorado State Board of Examiners.

Colorado.—At the annual meeting of the Colorado State Trained Nurses Association, held in Denver, May 9th, the following officers were elected: president, Miss L. A. Beecroft, Pueblo; first vice-president, Miss M. Bullene, Denver; second vice-president, Mrs. E. R. Lee, Greeley; secretary, Mrs. C. Chamberlin, Boulder; treasurer, Miss A. Duff, Denver. Miss Clara Follmer, Colorado Springs, and Miss Mand McClaskie were elected to the Board of Directors, the former to fill an unexpired term.

REGULAR MEETINGS

Brooklyn, N. Y.—The annual meeting of the Alumnae Association of the Methodist Episcopal Hospital Training-school was held at the hospital April 10. Reports read from the different committees showed that a profitable year had been passed. A very good address was read by the president, dwelling particularly on the matter of devising some way of earing for the middle classes; she commented also on the lack of enthusiasm by Brooklyn nurses in the matter of registration. The secretary reported a total gain of four members during the year, and the treasurer's report showed the finances to be in a very good condition.

The results of the elections were as follows: President, Miss Shipman; first vice-president, Miss Stubenrach; second vice-president, Miss F. Smith; secretary, Miss Kenny; treasurer, Miss Ferris. Conveners of committees: Educational, Miss Waterman; press, Miss Kirkpatrick; social, Miss Sandberg; credential, Miss Culbert.

PHILADELPHIA, PA.—The annual meeting of the Presbyterian Hospital Alumnæ Association was held on Friday, May 3rd, thirty-three members being

present. The business consisted of the address of the retiring president, Miss Jennie A. Manly, the reports of the secretary and treasurer, and the election of officers for the ensuing year.

During the winter a program for the monthly meetings consisting of a question box, demonstrations in Hospital Work, and papers on Traveling with a Helpless Patient, Hints on Private Nursing, and the History of Nursing, was successfully carried out. The usual sum of \$50.00 was sent to Miss Foster, one of our foreign missionary members, toward the support of four orphan children in Kodoli, India.

Newton Lower Falls, Mass.—The Newton Hospital Nurses Alumnæ held their annual business meeting on April 24. Officers for the ensuing year were elected as follows: President, Miss H. E. McAfee; vice-presidents, Miss Araminta Wetmore and Miss Theodora McKiel; treasurer, Miss Josephine Abbott; secretary, Miss Bertha Allen; assistant secretary, Miss Emily J. Starkey.

Hartford, Conn.—At the last annual meeting the board of managers of the Hartford, Connecticut, Visiting Nurse Association voted to provide central headquarters for their mirses, and in January a snitable flat was procured at 50 Spring Street. On March 5 the apartments were open for inspection by the board and a few guests, among whom we were honored by Dr. Gardon Russel, President Emeritus of the Hartford Hospital, and a generous friend of the Visiting Nurse Association. The demands for the visiting nurse's services have greatly increased during the winter, which necessitated employing a third assistant.

HARTFORD, CONN.—Hartford members of the Guild of St. Barnabas enjoyed a talk on "Missionary Nursing Among the Igarrotes," by Mrs. Staunton, who is seeking volunteers for the work in the Philippines. Mrs. Sannton brought many interesting enries from the natives, among them an undervest made of gauze bandages—an example of industry and economy to us, though scarcely practical.

Middletown, Conn.—The State Association of Visiting Nurses held its annual meeting April 16, at the parish house of the First Congregational Church in Middletown, Connecticut, and the following officers were re-elected: President, Miss M. J. Wilkinson, Hartford; first vice-president, Miss Mary Beard, Waterbury; second vice-president, Miss Martha Ball, Middletown; secretary and treasurer, Miss Mary G. Hills, New Haven. The report of the secretary and treasurer was read and accepted; four applications for membership were considered and the following nurses were admitted: Miss Yates, Holyoke Hospital, now employed in Middletown; Miss Markham, Rhode Island Hospital, Providence, Rhode Island, now in New Haven: Miss McCormac, Hartford Hospital Training-school 1905. Hartford, and Miss Henrietta Van Cleft, Presbyterian Hospital, New York. Miss Van Cleft was formerly connected with the Henry Street Settlement, New York, but is now doing rural nursing in Lakeville and surrounding districts.

INDIANAPOLIS, 1ND.—The Indianapolis City Hospital alumnæ association met with the president, Miss Currie, at The Meridian, on May 3rd. After a short business session the meeting resolved itself into a very informal social function. A guessing contest caused a good deal of merriment. Eighteen were in attendance. The next regular meeting will be in July.

MONTCLAIR, N. J.—The quarterly meeting of the Mountain Side Alumnæ was held at the nurses' home on April 18. Reports were read, interesting subjects discussed, and later there was a social half hour with refreshments.

SCRANTON, PA.—The regular monthly meetings of the Scranton Training-school for Nurses were held at the State Hospital on March 21 and April 11. At both meetings the registration bill was discussed. Miss Drinker was elected as a delegate to the state convention at Reading in May.

RICHMOND, VA.—The Old Dominion Alumnæ Association held its annual meeting May 2nd at the nurses settlement, Richmond, and the following officers were elected: President, Mrs. Ernest Keesee; vice-president, Miss M. Ewald; secretary, Miss E. R. P. Cocke; treasurer, Miss A. B. Corling.

PITTSBURGH, PA.—On Thursday evening, April 25, the third meeting of the Mercy Hospital Nurses' Alumnae Association took place at the Mercy Hospital, Pittsburgh, Pa. Officers for the coming year were elected: President, Miss Margaret Garvey; first vice-president, Miss M. Regis Kiley; second vice-president, Miss Helen Splaine; secretary, Miss Becca St. Clair; treasurer, Miss Nora B. O'Sullivan. The association has a membership already of one hundred. The next meeting will be held on Thursday evening, August 29. Papers for discussion will be prepared and read.

PATERSON, N. J.—The regular meeting of the Paterson General Alumnæ Association was held at the hospital on April 2nd. One new member was admitted. A social half hour, at which the entertainment committee served tea, was enjoyed at the close of the meeting.

PHILADELPHIA, PA.—The annual meeting of the Nurses' Alumnae Association of the Jewish Hospital was held in the lecture room of that institution Tuesday, April 2nd. There were fifteen members present. The treasurer's report was read and showed the association to be in an excellent financial condition. The annual report of the secretary on the work of the association was read and received. The president made her annual address, which was received with much enthusiasm. The election of officers for the coming year resulted in the re-election of Mrs. Allen F. Myers as president and Miss Mary Graham as first vice-president. Miss Heiman was elected second vice-president; Mrs. Edward Behrend, member of the executive committee; Miss E. Henning, delegate to the annual convention of the Associated Alumnae of the United States; Mrs. Walter F. Pullinger, secretary and treasurer.

The retiring secretary-treasurer, Miss R. Halsey, has taken up private nursing, and being very successful has little time for the ardnous duties of that position. Refreshments were served and a most delightful time followed.

New York, N. Y.—The regular meeting of the Lebanon Hospital Training-school for Norses was held at the training-school. April 9, at three P. M. The meeting was well attended and considerable business transacted. Plans for an entertainment in November to raise a fund to endow a bed at the hospital which will be controlled by the Norses' Almunic Association was decided upon and steps have already been taken toward the accomplishment of this undertaking. The officers for the year are: President, Margnerite J. Clancy; vice-president, Josephine McCaffery; second vice-president, Harriette Rosenbluth; treasurer, Mary Burns; corresponding secretary, Marie Schmidling, 107 East Eighty-sixth Street, New York City; recording secretary, Marie Cronin.

New York.—The Alumna Association of the Lebanon Hospital. New York City, has just completed arrangements for an entertainment and dance to be given at the Waldorf-Astoria. Saturday, October 19, for the endowment of a private room at the hospital for its sick members. A souvenir journal is being prepared and it is hoped that the income from the advertisements in this will add considerably to the fund. Tickets will be sold at a dollar each, boxes can be had and donations will be appreciated. Information can be obtained from any of the alumna members or from the president Miss Marguerite Claney, 1053 Tinton Avenue, New York City.

CINCINNATI, OHIO.—The Jewish Hospital Alumnæ Association held its regular monthly meeting and annual social meeting at the Jewish Hospital on May 3rd. The principal business of this meeting was the election of ollicers for the year 1907 and 1908 as follows: President, Mrs. Ilsen; vice-president, Miss F. Williams; corresponding secretary, Miss Tyrwhitt; recording secretary, Miss E. R. Ardill; treasurer, Miss Isabel Ardill; program committee, Miss Williams and Mrs. Wilkinson.

Two interesting papers were read, one on settlement work, dealing with Miss Lilian Wald's settlement work in New York, contributed by Mrs. Cochnower, and one on Experiences of American Nurses in Japan, by Miss Meilziner. The meeting then adjourned to the nurses' hall, where Miss Greenwood, on behalf of the graduating class, extended a cordial welcome to the members. Tea was daintily served on the balcony.

PERSONALS

MISS ETTA FREEDLANDER, class of 1897, Hahnemann, Chicago, has gone to Seattle, Washington, to live.

Miss Moss, graduate of the Protestant Hospital, Norfolk, has resigned from the position of superintendent of the King's Danghters Hospital, Portsmonth, Va.

Miss Cora Overnour and Miss Ella Myers, former principal and assistant at Hahnemann Hospital Training-school. Chicago, have recently been guests at the school.

MISS FRIDA L. HARTMAN, secretary of the New York State Association, has been appointed head nurse of the gynæeological ward of the Jewish Hospital, Brooklyn, N. Y.

MISS ELIZABETH DETWILER, graduate of the Illinois Training-school, has resigned the superintendency of the Danville General Hospital, Danville, Va., to take effect June 1st.

MISS ADELAIDE LEWIS (University Hospital, Pa.), a member of the nursing staff of the Presbyterian Hospital, Chicago, has just returned from a two months' trip in Europe.

MISS E. D. MILLS, for four years on the staff of the School for Nurses of the Presbyterian Hospital, Chicago, has recently taken charge of the Edmunson Memorial Hospital, Council Bluffs, Iowa.

MISS GERTRUDE M. FOWKES, Hartford Hospital Training-school 1905, has resigned her position as superintendent of the Middlesex Hospital, Middletown, Conn., to be married in June to Dr. John Loveland, of that city.

MISS MARGARET TOOKER, who has been for some years the superintendent of nurses at Michael Reese Hospital, Chicago, has given up her position and has retired to farm life. She is succeeded by Miss Mayfield of the same school

MISS CARRIE BECHTLE of the Army Nurse Corps, stationed at the Presidio in San Francisco, Cal., for several months, was compelled to return to her home in Evansville, Indiana, in March, on account of the deaths of her father and sister. She will remain at home indefinitely.

MISS JEAN MCNELLY, a graduate of Mercy Hospital, Pittsburgh, has been appointed superintendent of the Washington Hospital, Washington, Pennsylvania. She was formerly night supervisor at Lakeside Hospital, Cleveland, and has recently been head nurse of the operating room at Mercy Hospital.

MISS MARGARET McKINLEY has sold her interest in the McKinley Home and Registry for Nurses, 4955 Washington Boulevard, St. Louis, Missouri, to Miss Louise Niehuhr, of the Hlinois Training-school who will continue the work under the same name. Miss McKinley expects to travel abroad for a year, spending the present summer in Dublin.

MISS MENIA D. Tye, first president of the board of examiners for nurses in Indiana, has resigned her position on the board, and is now superintendent of nurses in Washington University Hospital, St. Lonis, Mo. Miss Lizzie Cox, of Elizabethtown, Ind., was made president in her place, and the governor will appoint a new member to complete the board of five.

BIRTHS

Born.—At Upperville, Fanquier County, Va., April 2, 1907, a daughter to Mrs. Frederick Gochnauer (nee Peak).

Born.—At Poughkeepsie, N. Y., April 23, a daughter to Mrs. I. H. Miller. Mrs. Miller was Miss Florence McDonald of St. Luke's Hospital, Utica, N. Y.

MARRIAGES

MARKED. - At Temperanceville, Virginia, April 4, 1907, Miss Mary Bruce Seay to Dr. Richard Randolph Nevitte. Dr. and Mrs. Nevitte will make their home in Temperanceville.

MARRIED at Elkhart, Indiana. March 9, 1907, Miss Edith Geiger, class of 1903, Hahnemann Hospital Training-school, Chicago, lo Mr. Earl MacBride. They will reside at Kansas City, Missonri.

MARRIED.—Miss Olive Marion Barrett, class of 1902, Methodist Episcopal Hospital, Brooklyn, to Mr. Henry Van Steenbergh, on Wednesday, April 10, at Toronto, Canada. Mr. and Mrs. Van Steenbergh will reside in Philadelphia, Pa.

MARRIED.—On April 17, 1907, Jeannette Marie Boer, to Dr. Abel James Baker. Miss Boer is a graduate of the Butterworth Hospital Training-school, class of 1905. Dr. and Mrs. Baker will make their future home at 427 Turner Street, Grand Rapids, Michigan.

MARRIED.—On April 24th, at South Shaftesbury, Vermont, Miss Susan Dyer Monroe to Dr. Charles C. Sweet. They will reside at Ossining, N. Y. Mrs Sweet was a graduate of the Samaritan Hospital, Troy, N. Y., and was formerly assistant superintendent of nurses there.

In Scranton, Pennsylvania, January 9, 1907, Miss Llwellyn Hathaway was married to Mr. Thomas B. Akin. Miss Hathaway was graduated from St. Luke's Hospital Training-school, New Bedford, Massachusetts, class of 1905. Mr. and Mrs. Akin will make their home in New Bedford, Massachusetts.

OBITUARY

SARAH A. BRIYA, a graduale of the Worcester City Hospital Trainingschool for Nurses, class of 1899, died at Middlebury, Vermont, April 9, after a long illness.

MARY P. HEWTON, a graduate of the Lowell General Hospital, class of 1906, died at the hospital on April 8th. At a special meeting the alumnæ association of the school drew up resolutions of regret at her loss.

Died at the Norfolk Protestant Hospital, Norfolk, Va., on August 11, 1906, of typhoid fever, Katherine E. Lumley, a graduate of St. Marylebone, London England. In Miss Lumley's death the profession sustains a great loss. She was of a firm type of womanhood and her professional ability was of the highest order.

MISS BUBEY, class of 1908. Methodist Episcopal Hospital, Brooklyn, passed away in that institution in February. She contracted typhoid fever and after an operation for a perforation, peritonitis developed. Although only partly through her training she had proved herself energetic and conscientious and her classmates sincerely regret her loss from their ranks.

Dien at the home of her sister, in Lansing, Michigan, April 7, 1907, of pnemnonia, Mrs. Jimia Stephens. Mrs. Stephens was a graduate of Nichols Hospilal, Battle Creek, Michigan, a member of the Michigan State Association, and of the Lansing and Ingham County Nurses' Association. She was of an amiable and lovable disposition, and her death is a great loss to her associate nurses as well as to her family.

BROOKLYN, N. Y.—On Easter Sunday afternoon services were held in the new chapel of the Methodist Episcopal Hospital for the purpose of unveiling a tablet in memory of Dr. Fowler. The inscription on the tablet reads: In memory of Dr. George Ryerson Fowler, Surgeon to the Methodist Episcopal Hospital, 1887-1906, This tablet is creeted by The Society of Ex-Internes, In grateful recognition of him as Teacher, Counsellor, Friend.

THE Alumnæ Association of the Augustana Hospital Training-school for Nurses, Chicago, announces the death of a member, Miss Augusta Erickson, class of 1899, which occurred in Moline, Ill., March 28th, due to ptomaine poisoning. Miss Erickson was at the time of her death the visiting nurse of Moline, where she was highly esteemed by rich and poor. She had also done conspicuous work for the Illinois State Association in its work for registration of nurses, and her untimely death has left an aching void in the hearts of her many friends and coworkers.

RACHEL JANET ELBREDGE, a graduate of the Buffalo Training-school and of the New York Memorial Hospital died at the home of her mother at Ovid, Michigan, on April 29, after an illness of more than a year. Miss Eldredge had been matron of the Bowman Hospital, Duluth, Minnesota; superintendent of the Northwest Hospital, Minneapolis; and superintendent of night nurses at Roosevelt Hospital. She finally located at Atlanta, Georgia, where she remained until hroken health forced her to give up her work. Her patience and courage during the long months of extreme suffering were beyond expression. She was loved by every one who knew her and is mourned by all.

THE death of Clement J. Bradfield, a member of the Mills' Training-school for Nurses, took place at Bellevue Hospital, April 21, 1907. Mr. Bradfield contracted pneumonia while in pursuit of his work in that institution, and after a severe illness of two days, died. The funeral took place from the Mills' Training-school for Nurses, Monday, April 22, and interment in Philadelphia, Pa.

Mr. Bradfield was a native of England, and was in the second year of his course of training. By his kind and unassuming manner he had won the respect and affection of those associated with him.

He leaves a father and mother in England and a sister, Miss Emily A. Bradfield of Philadelphia, also a trained nurse, who have the heartfelt sympathy of the entire school.